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Eviction of Harijans from certain cheris of Tiruchirappalli town.

* 1405 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that large-scale evictions of Harijans from the cheris of Kallumandai, Jailpettai, Pillayarkottai and Woriyur cheri in the town of Tiruchirappalli have been ordered by the Revenue and Municipal authorities; and

(*b*) what steps the Government propose to take in the matter?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" (*a*) The Revenue Department of Government have not ordered eviction of Harijans from the places occupied by them in Kallumandai, Jailpettai, Pillayarkottai and Woriyur localities of Tiruchirappalli town. But the Tiruchirappalli Municipal authorities had ordered eviction in certain cases for unauthorized encroachments on municipal sites.

" (*b*) The Government do not propose to interfere in the matter. They will, however, be prepared, subject to availability of funds, to consider on merits, applications from local bodies for loans and subsidies for undertaking schemes for the construction of houses for their labourers."

Community Project Scheme for the Ponneri taluk.

* 1406 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount spent for Community Project works in Ponneri taluk on establishment, i.e., by way of salaries, allowances and for Community Project schemes in the year 1953–54; and

(*b*) the places where the schemes were carried out in the year 1953–54 and the progress made so far?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) The Community Project Scheme has not been introduced in the Ponneri taluk so far.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Construction of a dam at Valiyakandy in Mavilayi village, Chirakkal taluk, Malabar.

* 1407 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he has recently received any letter from any Member of the House regarding grant of money and permission to Peralasseri devaswam for the construction of a vented dam at Valiyakandy in Mavilayi village in Chirakkal taluk in Malabar; and

(*b*) if so, what steps have been taken with regard to the matter?

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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) It is being examined by the Government."

Number of members belonging to Backward Classes in the staff of the Co-operative department.

* 1408 Q.—SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the total number of Backward classes employees in all the posts in the Co-operative department from the rank of Junior Inspectors of Co-operative Societies upwards in the Residuary State?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Three hundred and forty-six members belonging to Backward classes are working in the Co-operative department from the rank of Junior Inspectors upwards."

Grievances of the elementary school teachers.

* 1409 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received a copy of the resolutions passed by the Elementary School Teachers' Conference held at Perambalur on 14th February 1954;

(b) whether resolutions were passed by teachers in the said conference requesting the Government not to retrench the existing number of elementary school teachers as a result of the working of the Modified Scheme of Elementary Education and also not to impose the responsibility of increasing the strength of the pupils in the elementary schools, upon the teachers;

(c) whether the Government have examined the several resolutions passed in the said Conference; and

(d) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) to (d) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to starred question No. 1091 (1689) answered on 19th May 1954."

Regulation of private irrigation sources in Malabar.

* 1410 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government have under consideration any proposal to regulate and control private irrigation sources of Malabar?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :— " Yes."